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COURT DEMANDS LIGHT

The Corporation Court yesterday considered the case of a negro murderer which resulted in the jury returning a verdict of murder in the first degree with the penalty of death. The court has three other murder cases on its docket, the circumstances in which are similar to that disposed of yesterday.

It was far into the night before the jury returned its verdict, and while waiting for it the tribunal became justly indignant at the paucity of light furnished in the court room. It was with difficulty that those present could see each other, and Judge Barley eventually sent for the members of the light committee of the City Council in order that they might realize existing conditions in Alexandria. The attempts to light the chamber of the Board of Aldermen have for months been ineffectual. Apart from a drop light upon the clerk's desk, there is virtually no light in the room.

Suggestions have from time to time been made that the public offices be lighted with electricity, but, so far, no steps looking to such a change have been taken.

Many reasons are urged as the cause of the unsatisfactory gas now furnished this community. Cooking by gas has long since become a tantalizing procedure. Generally sickly flames appear on gas stoves, and these have to be watched continually, as they show a readiness to cease burning and leave gas or air escaping, all of which has to be paid for at the end of the month or quarter.

The cry for better gas or a stronger pressure is becoming louder every day, and long-suffering consumers hope proper measures may be taken immediately to remedy whatever defects exist.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT

President Wilson's address to Congress yesterday was one of the longest he has delivered. It is divided, roughly speaking, into three sections—a brief description of the part played by this country in the great war and a tribute to those who fought and worked to bring the war to a successful conclusion, a statement concerning readjustment problems and some recommendations in that connection and an explanation, also brief, of the reasons which controlled the President in his determination to go to the Peace Conference.

Those reasons as several representative journals observe are quite convincing. Despite the importance of the problems which are pressing for solution in this country at this time, there is nothing measurably so important, to this nation as well as to all the nations of the world, as the consummation of a peace settlement in line with the ideals of all the liberty-loving peoples of the world. As the President says, there is no business or interest which should take precedence of that.

This being the case, the President is entitled to the united support which he asks of Congress and the people. Partisanship should cease at the water's edge.

The Baltimore Sun sums up the matter when it says the President is

going to Europe as the representative of the whole American people. He is going there to work for vital American interests. He will, as he says, have delicate tasks to perform. If he fails, America will fail.

We must back him up because he is our President and because he will be working for America at the peace table, because he goes there to help in carrying into effect the ideals of the gallant American soldiers and seamen who have fought so bravely and, in many cases, laid down their lives in this war.

THE POWER OF RIGHT

Kingdoms rise and flourish, then they fade and fall, Empires take the sunshine, gleaming bright and gay; Time upon his mountain stands and gives the call, And the empires vanish—all must pass away.

Emperor William scorned the Belgian King as wholly incapable of opposing successfully the will of the mighty German Empire. He bade Albert stand aside or he would force his way through his little kingdom. This threat he carried out to the accompaniment of blood and lust and cruel oppression. But back of the kingdom of Belgium was the kingdom of God; and what is the position of the two men today? Albert re-enters his beautiful capital, while Belgium is crowned with undying fame as having done a "bigger thing than Thermopylae." The ex-Emperor is a fugitive on the face of the earth. As Theodore Marbury in "The Outlook" asks, "Is there in the whole of history a more convincing example of the power of right?"

"Long before the United States entered the war some of us ventured to express the fact that, while wrong often triumphs locally, wrong universally recognized as such could not triumph; that to doubt it was to deny that reason ordered the universe. Was there ever a more striking instance of this truth than in the persons of two men—the ex-Emperor of Germany and King Albert?"

WHEN THE SHIP PUTS OUT

There will be no popular demonstration at the pier when the President's ships out to sea. There is no particular reason why there should be, for there will be tumult and shouting enough at the other end of the journey to make up for any deficiency here. It will be shouting and tumult, too, of a different sort from much of that which would din the ears of the distinguished adventurer if all those who have been murmuring and muttering against his going were to be present, when the ship draws away from the dock.

It is just as well that he should leave us in this quiet fashion, for he will have trumpeting and salvos enough in the weeks he is away; and this peaceful departure will be a contrast to remember in the midst of what is sure to be a triumphant and jubilant homecoming. Let the grumblers, then, absent themselves from the pier and, nursing their shins by the fire, vent their feelings in letters to their favorite papers. They will be the better for it, and so will be.

We can understand the yapping of the President's critics, for he is a public figure, and the opposition is purely partisan. In this category must be included the last-hour philippic of the Rev. Dr. Conwell. He demands the recall of President Wilson, who is "too theoretical," and the appointment of a high commission on peace problems, and he nominates "an admirable combination for the high commission." Here they are: "Theodore Roosevelt, Senator Hiram Johnson, former President Taft, former Justice Hughes and Vice President Marshall." There's a beautifully balanced unpartisan bunch for you, to make the world safe for democracy!—(Philadelphia Record.)

GERMANS ARE UNMOVED

Betray No Interest Whatever as American Soldiers March Into Country

No demonstrations, either friendly or hostile, marked the entry of Major General Dickman's army into Germany yesterday. The frontier was crossed early in the day, and by night the Americans had moved forward 12 miles, reaching Radgen, on the left, and Saarholzbach, on the right. The line extended along the

Saar River, and through Saarburg and Treves.

The reception given the Americans differed from that encountered in Luxembourg and parts of Belgium and France. There they were welcomed as deliverers by almost all of the population. The attitude of the population of Rhenish Russia was different. Not a single act of open antagonism was reported, but it was evident that even the children had been schooled carefully in the role they must play.

Officers and men were not surprised by the lack of display of flags and the absence of the cheering crowds to which they had been accustomed; but they did not expect the calm silence with which the advance patrols on the columns of marchers were received.

On the Luxembourg side of the Moselle River the streets of the villages were filled with those out to say good-bye to the departing troops or to those who paused to or from church. Across the Moselle the streets of the villages were almost deserted. Perhaps 85 per cent. of the population remained within their homes, and in a majority of cases the blinds were drawn. Here and there a German stood in the doorway, watching the troops pass, and occasionally groups assembled at street corners, but there were no signs of either pleasure or disapproval.

GIRL VICTIM OF ASSAULT

Attacked, Brutally Beaten and Robbed by Negro.

West Chester, Pa., Dec. 3.—Miss Sarah James, 18 year old daughter of Jefferson James, living on the Rakes farm, near Willowdale, this county is in a serious condition at her home from injuries when she was assaulted, late Saturday night, near her home, by a negro. The assault was the fourth committed in the same locality within a short time, all of them failed to make complaint.

Miss James, employed in a store at Kennett Square, took the last trolley car for her home Saturday night. She left the car at a lane and started for her home, a short distance away, but had gone but a few yards when a negro appeared from a hedge and assaulted her. She was badly beaten, choked and a handkerchief forced into her mouth to still her cries. The negro, frightened by the approach of Mr. James, who had gone to meet his daughter, fled, taking along a handbag containing \$7 belonging to the girl. Miss James is in a serious condition from shock and injuries.

A posse sought the man Sunday night without avail and officials are still seeking him. Miss James says she could identify the negro if he is found and that he is a man who had been in the store where she was employed early Saturday evening.

LOSES LIFE BY CAVE-IN.

Four Men Fail in Effort to Uncover Lad in Time to Save Him.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 3.—Linwood Pulley, thirteen years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pulley, of Byrne street, was accidentally killed Sunday afternoon by the caving in of a sandbank. With some companions in a sand pit in the rear of Rogers & Plummers' peanut factory, when a part of the embankment caved in. He was dead by suffocation before his body could be extricated. Three colored men and a white man, who were nearby, worked hard to rescue the little fellow, but failed to save him. This is the second fatal accident that has occurred at this pit.

POLICE CHIEF DEAD

Suffolk Officer Dies of Wound Inflicted by Negro Bootlegger Saturday

Suffolk, Va., Dec. 3.—William E. Brinkley, chief of police of this city and one of the best known officers in the State, died yesterday from wounds inflicted Saturday night by a negro bootlegger. Chief Brinkley headed a squad who met an incoming train and attempted to arrest James Bowser. He opened fire on the officers, shooting down Brinkley. The negro was wounded and captured later.

PUBLIC AUCTION

On the 7th day of December, 1918, at ten o'clock A. M., I will offer for sale at public auction on the premises, 604 Cameron Street, one new hot water heating plant, consisting of furnace and nine radiators. This is a new plant and has never been put up or used. Terms of sale CASH.

R. H. COX,

Sergeant, Adm. of estate of Amanda Gray, 286, 41.

UNUSUAL USE OF "WHICH"

President Throws Amateur Grammarians Into Spasm.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—Whatever else he may have done in his address to Congress, President Wilson certainly sent amateur grammarians into a spasm. This is how he did it:

"They have been directed by men which represented the permanent departments of Government."

Recourse to the dictionary, in this case a new Century edition, based on the unabridged of Noah Webster, who ought to know, shows "which" is a "pronoun, a word of interrogation in all genders; the relative serving as the neuter of 'who.'"

There is a vague feeling that the President may be correct in referring to men as "which," but the aforesaid amateur grammarians would like to see the authority for it.

"JOHN D." HAS HARD LUCK

His Chauffeur Runs Down Child One Day—3 Servants Injured Another

Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 3.—John D. Rockefeller's hard luck continues. On Friday night his chauffeur ran down a 6-year-old boy and fractured his skull, and Sunday one of his cars upset and threw five of his employees out, two of whom are in the hospital. The employees were driving to Tarrytown and the driver turned too short into the Bedford road, Edward Whalen, a butler, and one of the women servants were so badly hurt that they were taken to the hospital.

The other three, although bruised were able to go back to the state.

STRIKE AT NEWPORT NEWS

Union Carpenters Employed by Emergency Fleet Corporation Demand "Closed Shop."

Newport News, Va., Dec. 3.—Four hundred union carpenters, chiefly employed on war activities work and house construction for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, went on strike here yesterday, demanding a "closed shop."

Some contractors already have agreed to the demands, but others are hiring nonunion men and proceeding with their work, although greatly handicapped. An attempt is being made to have an amicable settlement of the trouble.

LAYS INFLUENZA TO CATS

Allentown Council Brings Serious Charge Against Pussy.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 3.—In an argument before Council, resulting in an order for placarding homes where influenza exists, Councilman John Allen insisted that all the doctors are wrong in their theories as to the spread of influenza and insists that the disease is carried around the earth by dogs and cats. Hence he proposed that all dogs and cats be killed.

Harry Krum, the bacteriologist, has been ordered to capture a cat in a family where influenza exists and examine the animal for influenza germs. In this way Mr. Allen expects to prove the correctness of his contention that all pets should be humanely killed. Under Mr. Allen's proposition, however, there is one chance for pussy. He is convinced that cats carry the germs in their fur, and agrees that in cases of valuable and much beloved family cats removal of the fur with a clipper will be sufficient to remove the danger of infection.

SHOT BY HIS PASSENGER

Merchant Twice Wounded by Alien he Gave Lift in Truck.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 3.—Isador Levine, a merchant, escaped death but received bullet wounds in the right arm and leg yesterday, and then disarmed Sam Scott, an alien, who tried to shoot him as they were riding on the seat of an auto truck.

Levine knows no reason for the shooting, he says, Scott, a customer, asked him for a ride. When Levine attempted to take a course different from that desired by Scott, the latter slipped a hand into his pocket and drew a pistol. Levine saw him and in the tussle the revolver was discharged twice. When Levine had wrested the revolver from his assailant he fell unconscious and Scott escaped.

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Lovely line of tassels for all kinds of art work, curtain and lamp pulls and bags. 25c to \$1.50.

Do your Christmas Shopping early by request of the government.

GO OUT ON STRIKE

Norfolk Electricians Demand \$1 an Hour For Eight-Hour Day.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 3.—Between three and four hundred electricians employed on government and commercial jobs in the Norfolk district went out on strike yesterday. They demanded \$1 an hour for an eight-hour day.

FOR SALE

Typewriter, Underwood, for sale. Perfect condition, \$35. "G. S." Gazette Office. 286-21.

Ford touring car, five passenger with electric starter, 1918 model, new tires, all in first class condition. Edward Maupin, 1312 King street. 286-21.

For Sale—Holstein cows, some fresh, some springers. See Callender Conrad Co., Alexandria, Va., Route No. 1. 286-31.

For Sale—Two wood beds, complete springs and mattresses, nearly new, apply, 120 South Lee Street, 285-21.

For Sale—A good horse, cheap. Can be seen at William Roger's farm, Telegraph road, Fairfax county, Va. 285-31.

One buffet, \$25; 1 parlor suit, \$95; 1 dining room table and chairs, \$10; 1 sewing machine. Inquire at No. 102 South Alfred street. 283-41.

For Sale—Handsome residence, home of the late Park Agnew, 14 rooms; hot water, heat, bath, spacious grounds, running through from Pitt to Royal streets, beautiful shade. Large two-story brick garage. Price \$10,000. Terms one-third cash, balance 1, 2 and 3 years. M. B. Harlow, Trustee. 274-11.

Home, on Braddock Heights, with garage, barn etc., and about one acre of beautiful grounds. Immediate possession.

A country place, five acres, with large dwelling, two baths, furnace heat, electric lights, etc., and also a modern cottage, garage, barn, and other out buildings. The trees, shrubbery and view together with the neighborhood make this place especially attractive. Immediate possession. Several smaller places in the vicinity.

Modern ten-room brick house in Rosemont, built by the owner; exceptionally good condition; fine lawn and grounds; a very attractive home; immediate possession.

A frame stucco eight-room house, bath, hot water heat, etc., fine view and location. Possession in thirty to sixty days.

Other attractive city, suburban and country homes.

MORRIS L. HORNER, 612 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia.

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One new town car body; 2 second hand runabout bodies; 1 Ford touring coupelet and delivery cars.

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VERNON M. LYNCH, R. No. 3, Alexandria, Va. 285-31 286-31

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Alexandria Water Co. 286-31.

Rooms Wanted—Three rooms and bath or a small house in respectable neighborhood. Address, E. C. West, 1111 Oronoco street, 285-31.

ROOMS WANTED Three-room furnished apartment in Alexandria, C. W. Ware, Clarendon, Va. 285-31

Room and board wanted by two young men. Address D. H. Care, Gazette Office. 286-41.

Three unfurnished rooms near Patrick and King Streets. Apply box 9, Gazette Office. 285-31.

Heated garage wanted for winter or will sell my 4-passenger roadster for less than half price. Address Hugh P. Caherty, Linden Avenue, Cottage Park. 285-31.

Found—At New Alexandria, one iron gray mule. Owner can obtain same by applying to Robert Arnold and paying damages. 285-31.

LOST AND FOUND. Found—At New Alexandria, one iron gray mule. Owner can obtain same by applying to Robert Arnold and paying damages. 285-31.